ABSOLUTE RATING: Excellent IMPROVEMENT RATING: Excellent

Number of Elementary schools with students like ours: 35.

The absolute ratings for those schools ranged from average to excellent. For improvement ratings, the range was from unsatisfactory to average.

RATINGS OVER A 4-YEAR PERIOD

Absolute Rating
Excellent

Improvement Rating Excellent

2001 2002

2002 2003

2003

(Definitions of School Rating Terms on Page 4)

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS

Our School

Schools With Students Like Ours









Mathematics I

English/ Language Arts

Mathematics

Basic

English/ Language Arts

Advanced





Below Basic

DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient Student performance met expectations.
- Basic Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

Science scores are to be reported on the 2004 School Report Card. Social studies scores are to be reported on the 2005 School Report Card.

PERCENT OF STUDENTS SCORING BASIC OR ABOVE ON THE PACT					
	English/			Social	
Student Group	Language Arts	Math	Science	Studies	
All students (n=262)	94.3	86.3	N/A	N/A	
Students with disabilities other than					
Speech (n=24)	N/A	N/A			
Students without disabilities (n=238)	95	88.2			
Gender					
Male (n=137)	91.2	87.6			
Female (n=125)	97.6	84.8			
Ethnic Group					
African American (n=13)	N/A	N/A			
Hispanic (n=5)	N/A	N/A			
White (n=235)	95.7	86.4			
Other (n=7)	N/A	N/A			
Lunch Status Group					
Free/reduced-price Lunch (n=63)	85.7	77.8			
Pay for lunch (n=199)	97	88.9			

SCHOOL PROFILE INDICATORS OF SCHOOL PERFORMANCE

	Our School	Change From Last Year	Schools with Students like ours	Median Elementary School
SCHOOL				
Dollars spent per student	\$5,670	N/A	\$4,747	\$5,347
 Prime instructional time 	91.7%	Up from 90.4%	90.2%	90.2%
 Student-teacher ratio in core subjects 	19.6 to 1	N/A	20.2 to 1	18.7 to 1
STUDENTS (n=562)				
Attendance Rate	96.1%	Up from 96%	96.7%	96.2%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (ELA) off grade level 	5.3%	N/A	2.8%	4.1%
 Students with disabilities other than speech taking PACT (math) off grade leve 	3.1% I	N/A	1.8%	3.1%
 First graders who attended full day kindergarten 	90.8%	Up from 78.6%	93.6%	96.3%
 Meeting grade 1 and 2 readiness standards 	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Retention rate TEACHERS (n=39)	1.5%	Up from 1.1%	1.7%	3.6%
 Professional Development days per teacher 	9.8 Days	Up from 7.6	8 Days	7.6 days
Attendance Rate	96.5%	Up from 95.8%	94.8%	95.1%
 Teachers with advanced degrees 	35.9%	Down from 37.8	% 52.8%	47.7%
Continuing contract teachers	79.5%	Up from 76.3%	88.6%	83.8%
 Teachers with out-of-field permits 	5.1%	Up from 0%	0%	0.0%
 Teachers returning from the previous school year 	91%	Up from 83.5%	89.1%	87.2%
Average teacher salary	\$39,083	Up 6.0%	\$39,632	\$37,520

SCHOOL FACTS

		Change From	Schools with Students	Median Elementary
	Our School	Last Year	like ours	School
SCHOOL				
 Percentage of expenditures spent on teacher salaries 	65.8%	N/A	65.7%	65.3%
 Principal's years at the school 	13	N/A	5	4.0
 Parents attending conferences 	97.7%	N/A	96.6%	95.6%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	N/A	Good	Good
STUDENTS				
On academic plans	30.9%	Up from 18.2%	25.4%	43.1%
 On academic probation 	0%	N/A	0%	0.0%
 Older than usual for grade 	0.5%	Up from 0%	0.6%	1.1%
 Suspended or expelled 	6	N/A	1	1
Gifted and talented	21.8%	Up from 16.2%	26.3%	11.5%
With disabilities other than speech	11.1%	Up from 6.5%	8%	8.4%

PRINCIPAL'S / SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL REPORT

This year, Lakewood Elementary celebrates its success. With a student enrollment of 580, we serve kindergarten through fifth grade. Overall student attendance is 96%. Those students identified as academically gifted currently encompass 23% of the student population. It is also an honor to be designated as a deregulated school by the South Carolina State Department of Education.

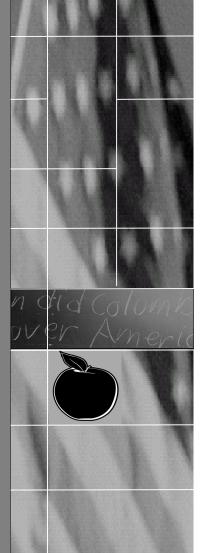
Lakewood teachers make it a point to focus on each student's learning needs. Our teachers have an average of 16 years of experience and 45% hold a Master's Degree or above. Overall teacher attendance is 98.5%.

Our PTA and volunteer program provide many hours of personal attention for our students as well as significant funding of our Accelerated Reading program.

With forty-one years of academic excellence behind us, we are looking forward to a shining future as we celebrate the following successes:

- -District Pacesetter award for academic excellence
- -TaxsmART: Picture Your Taxes program participation
- Opportunities to display creativity through dramatic and musical performances
- -Upgraded Accelerated Reader Program
- -Healthy Schools Award
- -Permanent member of the South Carolina Exemplary Writing Hall of Fame
- -Special Education Rules Replacement Pilot Program
- -Accredited by SACS
- -Multiage classes in grades K-5
- -Programs for parents of Birth to 5 ages
- -21,865 Accelerated Reader books read by our students

W. David James



Lakewood Elementary 1675 HWY 396 Myrtle Beach, SC 29575

Grades K-5 Elementary School

Enrollment: 562 Students

Principal

Tom Rex 843-293-2200

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Helen M. Smith 843-236-3333

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Annual School
Report Card

2001

School Grade: Excellent

EVALUATIONS BY TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

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Percent	Teachers	Students	Parents	
Satisfied with learning environment	97.3	94.1	(Avail. 2002)	
Satisfied with social and physical environment	97.3	89.4		
Satisfied with home-school relations	97.3	92.9		

DEFINITIONS OF SCHOOL RATING TERMS

Excellent – School performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

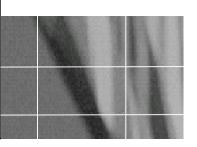
Good – School performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average – School performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average – School is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory – School performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

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South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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